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SUBJECT: AL-SUDEARY VISIT TO WASHINGTON

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1. SCHEDULE THUS FAR ARRANGED FOR VISIT TO WASHINGTON AND NEW YORK OF AMBASSADOR ABDELMUHSIN M. AL-SUDEARY (SAUDI ARABIA), CHAIRMAN OF THE PREPARATORY COMMISSION OF THE INTERNATIONAL FUND FOR AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT IS AS FOLLOWS:

A. SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 7 PM - DINNER AT WATERGATE HOTEL WITH SEVERAL PERSONS FROM AID, WORLD BANK, ETC. ARRANGED BY JOHN MELLOR OF AID.

B. MONDAY, FEBRUARY 7, WORLD BANK: 1 PM - LUNCH IN PRIVATE DINING ROOM WITH SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT FOR OPERATIONS KNAPP; 2:30 - MEETING WITH DIRECTOR OF AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT YUDELMAN; 3:30 PM - MEETING WITH VICE PRESIDENT PROJECTS STAFF BAUM AND EXECUTIVE SECRETARY OF CONSULTATIVE GROUP ON INTERNATIONAL AGRICULTURE RESEARCH LEJEUNE; 6:30 PM - MEETING WITH PRESIDENT ROBERT S. MCNAMARA.

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C. TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 8, INTER-AMERICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK: 10 AM - MEETING WITH EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT REUBEN STERNFELD (PRESIDENT ORTIZ MENA WILL BE OUT OF WASHINGTON).

D. WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 9: NO SCHEDULE YET DEVELOPED.

E. THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 10: 12 NOON - LUNCH WITH UNDP ADMINISTRATOR BRADFORD MORSE IN NEW YORK CITY.

F. FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 1977: MORNING WITH UN OFFICIALS IN NEW YORK CITY (SECRETARY GENERAL WALDHEIM WILL BE AWAY IN MIDDLE EAST); NOON, PRESS CONFERENCE.

2. AMBASSADOR AL-SUDEARY IS PARTICULARLY DESIROUS OF MEETING THE NEW TOP U.S. OFFICIALS IN AID AND AGRICULTURE, AND WOULD BE PLEASED WE ARE SURE TO MEET NEW KEY OFFICIALS IN DEPARTMENTS OF STATE AND TREASURY THAT WASHINGTON CONSIDERS APPROPRIATE.

3. WORLD FOOD COUNCIL EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR JOHN HANNAH HAS LISTED SOME OTHER KEY PEOPLE FOR AMBASSADOR AL-SUDEARY TO SEE, AND AMBASSADOR AL-SUDEARY AGREES, BUT IS DEFERRING FIXING THESE APPOINTMENTS UNTIL UN AGENCY APPOINTMENT SCHEDULE PARA 1 AND KEY U.S. APPOINTMENT SCHEDULE PARA 2 ARE FULLY DEVELOPED. OFFICIALS NAMED BY HANNAH ARE: AMBASSADOR EDWIN M. MARTIN OF CONSULTATIVE GROUP ON FOOD PRODUCTION AND INVESTMENT, NATHAN KOFFSKY AND DALE HATHAWAY OF INTERNATIONAL FOOD POLICY RESEARCH INSTITUTE; AND JAMES GRANT OF OVERSEAS DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL IN NEW YORK CITY.

4. AS FOR MEETING WITH ECOSOC COMMITTEE ON NEGOTIATIONS WITH INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES (PARA 1 REFTEL), AMBASSADOR AL-SUDEARY HAS RAISED IT, BUT HAS STILL NOT YET BEEN INFORMED WHETHER MEETING IS TO BE IN NEW YORK OR GENEVA (HE BELIEVES THE LATTER LIKELY).

5. BIOGRAPHIC DATA ON AMBASSADOR AL-SUDEARY REQUESTED PARA UNCLASSIFIED

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2 REFTEL: BORN 1936 IN RIYADH, SAUDI ARABIA. BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DEGREE IN AGRONOMY, COLORADO STATE UNIVERSITY, AND MASTER OF SCIENCE IN AGRONOMY, ARIZONA UNIVERSITY. 1962-1972 SENIOR OFFICIAL OF SAUDI ARABIAN MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND WATERS IN ARIOUS TECHNICAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE POSTS. PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF SAUDI ARABIA TO FAO, 1972 TO PRESENT. CHARMAN OF THE GROUP OF NEAR EAST PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVES TO FAO. CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEE ON FOOD AID POLICIES AND PROGRAMS (FORMERLY THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE OF THE WORLD FOOD PROGRAM), 1976. CHAIRMAN OF THE OPEC GROUP IN THE UN CONFERENCE ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE INTERNATIONAL FUND FOR AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT, 1976. ELECTED CHAIRMAN OF THE PREPARATORY COMMISSION OF IFAD, 1976. NOMINATED BY THE SAUDI ARABIAN GOVERNMENT FOR THE PRESIDENCY OF IFAD, DECEMBER 1976. (COMMENT: AMBASSADOR AL-SUDEARY WAS A HIGHLY CAPABLE CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEE ON FOOD AID DURING ITS FIRST YEAR AFTER IT WAS DEVELOPED AS A REORGANIZATION OF THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE OF THE WORLD FOOD PROGRAM. IN IFAD HE HAS PLAYED A CENTRAL AND CONTINUING ROLE IN ITS DEVELOPMENT, FROM THE BEGINNING IN THE WORLD FOOD CONFERENCE

OF 1974 THROUGH THE FORMATORY MEETINGS FOR IFAD IN 1975 AND 1976
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